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MPP Scott defends use of notwithstanding clause

CHAD INGRAM

Staff Reporter

Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock MPP and Ontario Labour Minister Laurie Scott is defending the Ford government's unprecedented use of the notwithstanding clause to override a judge's decision, allowing the provincial government to proceed with a reduction in the size of Toronto city council in the midst of an election campaign.

On Sept. 10, the justice released a decision blocking provincial legislation seeking to cut the number of seats on Toronto city council from 47 to 25. The judge ruled the legislation unconstitutional, since it was being passed during an election campaign.

Later that day, Premier Doug Ford announced

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Living Outloud

Outloud Womyn's Voices chorus founder Beth Johns, left, shares a laugh with fellow members Lynn Deringer, Jean Tyler and Nel Van de Grient at the 20th anniversary celebration for Outloud on Tuesday, Sept. 11 at Abbey North, located near Eagle Lake. Close to 30 women came together to sing and to share their appreciation for Outloud. Read the story on page 3. /DARREN LUM Staff

Highlands East council gives OK to Cardiff paving project

JENN WATT

Editor

Highlands East council passed a resolution at its last meeting authorizing Norway Asphalt to begin work paving the Cardiff townsite, with unbudgeted funds coming from reserves. Roads superintendent Earl Covert told council on Sept. 5 the tenders that came in were all over the allotted 2018 budget, but Norway Asphalt was the lowest bidder.

Paving would be done this year, ditching next year, council was told.

CAO Shannon Hunter said \$505,000 was available in the budget for the work, but that Norway Asphalt's bid was \$544,575 plus HST, which includes a provisional amount of \$32,000.

She asked whether council wanted to move forward with the work and if so, where to find the additional dol-

Council chose to go ahead with Norway Asphalt with any extra money coming from reserves.

Work is to begin Sept. 18.

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Government must act quickly, **MPP** says

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the government would use Sect. 33 of the Charter of Rights and Freedoms – the notwithstanding clause – to override the judge's decision. In a controversial vote on the bill's first reading on Sept. 12, one Ford said was a free vote, all of the PC MPPs present in Queen's Park rose one by one to support the bill, Scott among them.

It is the first time Sect. 33 has ever been invoked by an Ontario government.

"During the [election] campaign, we said we would decrease the size and cost of government," Scott told the paper. "It's no secret that Toronto city council was been dysfunctional for a long time."

The paper pointed out that decreasing the size of Toronto council was never mentioned by anyone during the election campaign, and that most people had likely assumed that provincial candidates were talking about decreasing the scope of provincial government, not municipal ones.

"We did say we'd decrease the cost and size of government," Scott said.

"We believe the judge's decision is wrong," she continued, adding the party has respect for the judiciary, just

disagreed with this particular decision.

While the government is also appealing the ruling through the court of appeal – which is the standard process for such a situation – Scott said because municipal elections fall on Oct. 22, using the clause was a matter of

"It's about the timing, there's not enough time before the election," she said. "We don't have time for an

Ford has indicated that he wouldn't be shy to use the clause again in the future, and Scott was asked if the government would use the clause, which suspends the charter rights of citizens, again.

"The Constitution is clear, it gives us the power to use Sect. 33," Scott said, but added this was a specific situation, and again mentioned the dysfunction of Toronto city council.

She was asked if the provincial government would go about altering the makeup of other municipal councils, including potentially those in Haliburton County.

"No," she said, pointing out that the City of Toronto has its own act, and saying there were no plans to carry out a similar procedure elsewhere.

Last week, Toronto's city clerk said that given the circumstances, it would be "virtually impossible" for the city to hold a fair election.

Scott was asked to respond to that statement.





Chris Boulay is the new principal at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School. Boulay comes to the Haliburton Highlands from the Upper Canada District School Board. /CHAD INGRAM Staff

New HHSS principal gets warm reception

CHAD INGRAM

Staff Reporter

There is a new principal at the helm of Haliburton Highlands Secondary School.

Chris Boulay stepped into the role at the start of the

Born and raised in Cornwall, Ont., Boulay attended the University of Ottawa for both his undergraduate and graduate studies, beginning his teaching career in 1997 as a math and physics teacher. He moved into administration in 2002 as a vice-principal and became a principal in 2005. He's filled a number of principal positions, at both the elementary and secondary levels, within the Upper Canada District School Board.

That's where Boulay has spent his career until now, the move prompted to be closer to the family of his wife, who is from the area.

Boulay thanked the community for the reception he's received.

"During my transition, parents, students, staff and the community at large have been welcoming and presented me with a very warm reception," he said.

Boulay said he's excited to help students achieve sucess in a supportive and safe environment.

Boulay takes over from predecessor Dan Marsden, who is now principal at Ridgewood Public School.

"There is time, the people campaigning have time," she said. "Everyone's going to have a chance to vote."

Last week, former Ontario premier and PC party stalwart Bill Davis criticized the government's invoking of Sect. 33, saying it's a misuse of the clause.



It's about the timing, there's not enough time before the election. We don't have time for an appeal.

— MPP Laurie Scott

Scott, who once brought Davis to Haliburton Village for a speaking engagement, was asked to respond to his criticisms on the matter.

She responded that former prime minister Jean Chretien, who is also decrying Ford's use of the clause, was heavily involved with including the notwithstanding clause in the charter. The clause was entrenched in the Constitution following the so-called "Kitchen Accord," a 1981 meeting between then-justice minister Chretien, former Saskatchewan premier Roy Romanow and former Ontario attorney general Roy McMurtry

Scott, who supported MPP Christine Elliott for PC leadership, was asked if there were behind-the-scenes conversations happening within the caucus about rein-

We are 100 per cent supportive [of the premier]," she said.

MPPs sat for a midnight session on the bill on Monday, and according to national media, hundreds of spectators and protesters surrounded Queen's Park, chanting and pounding on the walls of the legislature.

The notwithstanding clause has been used more than 15 times, mostly in Quebec, and mostly over language





'Always we sing with our hearts and souls'

Outloud Womyn's Voices marks 20 years united in the love of song

DARREN LUM

Staff Reporter

Like it has been for two decades, Haliburton's Outloud Womyn's Voices Chorus sang as one, unified in joy and love for one another at their 20th anniversary celebration.

Close to 30 women's voices carried to the ceiling of Abbey North where the celebration was held on Tuesday, Sept. 11.

The choir is a diverse mix of women from a variety of backgrounds. They have always been inclusive, never demanding attendance or particular expertise in singing.

Founder Beth Johns called this a "landmark" anniver-

"The big thing with this singing group is that you didn't have to be able to sing," she said "It came out of the early women's movement. That's where I learned all this music. When I moved up here I was really missing it. I had been part of a choir [in Etobicoke] and I knew all this music. I came up here and really missed it."

Original member Lee Gauthier said Outloud's milestone anniversary is a culmination of her life.

"I've gone through ups and downs and really it's the emotional support of this group that really has been the thread that has kept me in for 20 years," she said. "Now it means the same thing to these women that are in it even though we meet at Beth's house – we don't meet at the church at all. We're a much smaller group and there is at maximum, 10 or 12 now."

The celebration was hosted by Outloud member Thea Patterson, who opened her home to a group that consisted of original members and relatively new members, who came to reminisce, sing and rejoice.

Before Outloud there wasn't any other group like it in the Highlands.

Gauthier can still hear Johns singing solo at an open mic at the former Wild Oats Cafe 20 years ago.

Before they met at that pivotal solo, the Outloud story begins in the 1980s when Johns was struggling.

She was living in Etobicoke in an unhappy marriage and had two young children.

She had also experienced betrayal from a female friend and her sister was in the process of coming out of the

At a leadership training program she met Mary Mac-Eachern, who encouraged her to attend a monthly women's group in Toronto.

Six months passed before she attended her first meet-

ing. As a result, a whole new world opened up for her.
It introduced her to ideas about women and their place in the world, to sisterhood, to the power of music by feminists and it gave her a new perspective to "spread my wings."

Learning the empowering music of Carolyn McDade, Carole Etzler, Coleen Fulmer and others, "filled my heart and soul with wonder, and over the years I went every month, to a place where women met together to struggle with being feminist in the church."

This discovery led to another opportunity to meet more women and to bolster the strength of song.

She was asked to go to a women's spirituality conference in Waterloo where 500 women sang together.



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Outloud Womyn's Voices Chorus founder Beth Johns, laughs while addressing some 30 women at the 20th anniversary celebration for Outloud on Tuesday, Sept. 11 at Abbey North, located close to Eagle Lake./DARREN LUM Staff

Johns ended up helping organize this biennial conference, as a member of the planning committee several

"It was a rich opportunity to work with women, both gay and straight, as we all struggled together to find our

Then in 1998, she moved to Haliburton with her new husband Norris Turner and didn't have the same connections she did before.

After singing solo at the "women's voices open stage" at the Wild Oats Cafe in Haliburton, she knew she didn't want to do it alone again.

She was confident that if any women wanted to learn the songs by the likes of McDade and Etzler she could

Gauthier remembers how Sue Shikaze spoke to Johns

I am filled with the deepest gratitude for the presence of each and every one of you in my life.

> - Beth Johns Founder of Outloud Womvn's Voices Chorus

about starting Outloud, and how the group first came together at the YWCA when it was in Haliburton.

The group met each week in the evening for years there and enabled working women and retirees to join.

"And so Outloud Womyn's Voices was born ... a group where you didn't have to be able to sing, no auditions, all women were welcome ... and we sang, and sang outloud! Sue Shikaze designed our T-shirts, Liz Doble's sonin-law printed them for us, and we went public in our purple shirts!"

The Outloud group has sung all over the Highlands from the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion to the

They've protested, singing at a peace rally in response to the Gulf War at Head Lake Park, and standing unified against the extension proposal for the runway at the

They marched in solidarity at Take Back the Night and stood, warmed by each other's voices on cold street corners to memorialize the 14 women who died during the Montreal Massacre at École Polytechnique.

Eight of the group even went to Boston and helped record a CD, My Heart is Moved, with McDade back in

The group has evolved to now include dance. It has been as small as six people and as large as 40.

They have had everyone join them in song from babies to seniors

Outloud has not performed publicly for some time. However, the group will be singing at the upcoming Take Back the Night in Haliburton on Thursday.

For all these things there has been one constant, a connection they all have with one another.

"And always we sing with our hearts and souls, deeply connecting with each other and with our beautiful earth home," Johns said.

Johns concluded her speech with a poem by Pat

Brown: When women sing

'So it is with a very full heart that I gather here today with you, my dear friends, to celebrate this journey we're on together ... it's ever changing, and always exciting, and I am filled with deepest gratitude for the presence of each and every one of you in my life. So let's sing.'

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Family effort shines light on Rotary's battle to eradicate polio

DARREN LUM

Staff Reporter

Seven-year-old Mazey Robinson of Lochlin beams proudly, sitting in a swivel chair at the Echo office, answering questions about how she and her family have collected 850 empty bottles and cans for the upcoming Haliburton Rotary Bottle Drive from 10 a.m. to close to 3:30 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 29 at the Haliburton Beer Store.

The drive, which has been run by the local club for the past six years with the help of the local Beer Store, is part of Rotary International's campaign, Polio Plus, a commitment dating back to 1985 to eradicate polio worldwide. Rotarian Richard van Nood said there were more than 350,000 cases of polio reported back when Polio Plus started and this year, so far, there have been only 15 reported cases of polio in two coun-

With every six empties, or 60 cents, equal to one vaccine, Mazey will be responsible for 141 vaccinations. She's proud of this achievement, having surpassed her initial goal to collect enough empties to purchase 34

This year's bottle drive is being boosted thanks to the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, which is helping Rotary International by donating \$2 for every \$1 raised to eliminate polio. This brings Mazey's contribution to 423 vaccinations.

"Not bad for a seven-year-old," van Nood wrote in

Mazey's mother Kim Hicks appreciated how her daughter and the family could be part of this positive change in the world.

"Potentially, polio could be eradicated during my daughter's childhood. That's pretty phenomenal and the fact that she could be part of that is kind of a legacy," she said.

She adds it's amazing to her that only 60 cents can mean so much to someone.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said polio, or poliomyeltis, is a crippling and potentially deadly infectious disease caused by the polio-



Seven-year-old Mazey Robinson sits in front of her collection of 850 empties, destined for the Rotary Club of Haliburton's Bottle Drive on Sept. 29 at the Haliburton Beer Store. Scheduled from about 10 a.m. until close to 3:30 p.m., this event encourages the public to donate empties. It is part of an effort to eliminate polio worldwide, which is part of the Rotary International Polio Plus campaign. All it takes is six empties, or 60 cents, to purchase one vaccine./Submitted by Kim Hicks

virus. The virus spreads from person to person and can invade an infected person's brain and spinal cord, causing paralysis. Paralysis is the most severe symptom associated with polio because it can lead to permanent disability and death.

The success, Hicks said, is rooted in the support from family, friends and the community.

The Stuart Baker Elementary School Grade 3 student and her dad, Paul, first went down their road, steps from their Lochlin home and picked up trash, sorting out the empties from what they could find. Then they

enlisted the help of friends and family, each for six empties, who also asked others.

Hicks adds among the best things to happen during this experience was raising the awareness of Polio Plus among the public.

She adds they've already discussed doing it again next year.

Mazey is proud of what she has been able to achieve. "Even if you're small you can do something big," she said.



Back to school

Haliburton Highlands home-school parents, back row from left, Stuart Humphries, Dayna Barley-Cohrs, Isabel Buttler, Jennifer Ramsdale and Joleen Thomas, and front row from left, Darby Bayly, students Finn Taylor-Bayly, Kip Kelly, Zaphod Cohrs, Eliza Ramsdale, Tristan Humphries, Winston Ramsdale, Sadie Kelly, Violet Humphries, Vega Cohrs, Olivia Humphries and Lillilan Ramsdale posed for a group photo to commemorate their first week of home school at the Sandbanks Provincial Park in Prince Edward County. Every year the home-schoolers start the year camping, getting to know one another and enjoying the outdoors. /Submitted by Darby Bayly



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Fall lunch program serving up international cuisine

JENN WATT

Editor

Delicious dishes from around the world will be sizzling on the stoves of SIRCH Central this fall for a spe-

cial program called Cook It Up All Fall.

Each Monday and Thursday starting this week, lunches will be available to purchase – either eat-in or take-out – focused on specific culinary traditions such as Indian, Thai, Central American or Korean.

"For the community, we're offering this cool international menu. We tried to do items that were sort of outside what was available locally," said Jay McIvor, food service co-ordinator at SIRCH.

McIvor worked at Camp Wanakita for 14 years as a chef and has travelled and lived abroad, picking up new skills. He said Cook It Up All Fall always has a vegetarian option and that if customers call ahead, he can also accommodate other dietary restrictions, such as gluten free or vegan diets.

McIvor will be cooking meals alongside Lydia Kim, a graduate of SIRCH's Cook It Up program, who worked for SIRCH during the summer program which ran out of the high school.

Although Cook It Up All Fall isn't the same format as the standard Cook It Up (which returns this winter),

they are taking volunteers to help out.

"This program we've invited past participants to come and participate, volunteer, brush up their skills and potential participants to come and observe," McIvor said.

Getting experience this fall will help those who are on the fence about trying a new career path, or taking the Cook It Up course, make the decision, said Angelica Ingram, SIRCH's communications specialist.

It gives them "a taste without having to commit to anything," she said.

The fall lunches serves a third purpose: raising

"This is also, aside from the training part, a fundraiser for Community Kitchen," Ingram said. "Part of the proceeds will go to funding Community Kitchen so we can continue to give out those meals."

Community Kitchen is a program that brings together volunteers to prepare frozen meals distributed to those in need in Haliburton County.



Jay McIvor of SIRCH Community Services pulls out some butter chicken and roast tandoori vegetables on the first day for Cook It Up All Fall on Monday Sept. 17 at SIRCH Central, located at 2 Victoria Street in Haliburton. Cook It Up All Fall, which is from noon until 4 p.m. on Mondays and Thursdays until Dec. 6, is a training program of SIRCH Community Services. See www. sirch.on.ca for more information about this and its other services./DARREN LUM Staff

There is plenty of choice for customers of Cook It Up All Fall. Each day offers a choice of a lunch with meat or without. Soup and salad are available. They can also choose whether to get take-out or to eat in, though there isn't table service. In addition, SIRCH is offering two- and four-person dinners that can be ordered and taken out.

To find out what SIRCH has cooking, check their Facebook page. To order your meal ahead of time or inquire about the menu, call or text the dedicated line: 705-455-2072

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Forever in our memories: Creighton Feir

Party politics

THE PC GOVERNMENT has taken Ontario by storm since winning the last election, reversing course on many initiatives that were underway. Most of the changes were unsurprising, though perhaps more swiftly implemented than expected. However, it's unlikely anyone would have predicted last week's incredibly controversial decision to invoke the notwithstanding clause.

Its usage on a bill to cut the size of Toronto city council in the midst of the election, contrary to the ruling of an Ontario Superior Court

judge has triggered opposition from across the political spectrum.

(Among them, former PC premier Bill Davis, former NDP premier Bob Rae and former Liberal prime minister Jean Chretien.)

And although there must be some PC MPPs who have misgivings about the way this is being done, voting along party lines at Queen's Park has continued unabated.

While there has been plenty of criticism to the PCs' policies in the last several months – from the elimination of cap and trade to reversing course on the sex-ed curriculum – nothing has raised as much ire as the government's intention to use the notwithstanding clause.

At least some of the disappointment is that it doesn't seem to matter how severely this decision is criticized, it's moving ahead regardless. It appears there's no room for nuance, discussion or compromise either between parties or within them.

And this is the crux of people's problem with politics.

As much as you might vote for an individual member of provincial parliament (or federal parliament), in the end, you are truly voting for the party and whatever that party decides to do. Contrast that to the much more responsive system of local municipal politics.

Last month, Haliburton County council was presented with a letter from the health unit board expressing its dismay at the cancellation of the basic income pilot project.

About 4,000 low-income people in the province were told that by March they would no longer be receiving a government subsidy, which was to have supplemented their income and could have improved their economic

> prospects as well as health and wellness.

The Haliburton Kawartha Pine Ridge District Health Unit board weighed in on the basic income project cuts. Calling the cancellation unjust, the letter from the board reminded the government that the purpose of the project was to evaluate over three years what benefits could be garnered by guaranteeing a minimum income to people.

County councillors said they wanted to put it on the record that they didn't agree with this decision. Some council members are more conservative in their political leanings, but voted to support the board of health's letter.

Since they didn't run for council under the banner of a particular party, each member is free to voice his or her position, reflecting personal views or those of constituents.

It didn't matter what party they normally vote for, or whether there were previous affiliations with the PCs, Liberals or NDP. Everyone expressed their own thoughts, made their own choices and voted their conscience.

Politics at all levels could use a dose of this independent thinking and less party politics.



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Puddle reflections

by Darren Lum

Time moves on

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THIS HAS BEEN an amazing summer in Downtown Haliburton! Everyone is still talking about the amazing weather we have had over the past four months. With the warm sunny weather we were able to enjoy great events in the Park, Midnight Madness and the inaugural Ribfest. We celebrated the expansion of the Haliburton Sculpture Forest to Downtown Haliburton with the installation of six very creative sculptures throughout the downtown. Thank you to Jim Blake and the artists that made this happen!

The skateboard park officially opened and hundreds of children, teens and adults have enjoyed honing their skills. Every time I drive by I see people trying out their tricks or just sitting and watching someone else practice their tricks. This great facility has become a healthy central meeting place for our community's youth. Congratulations to the committee of

dedicated citizens that brought this project to fruition.

The banners on Highland Street depicted two nature scenes from our beautiful community and showed our pride in the amazing community that we call home. Thank you to local artist Susan Hay for her generosity in sharing her artwork and talent with our whole village.

Then there were the amazing hanging flower baskets that have grown, and now cascade down, and move so wonderfully in the breezes coming off the lake. Truly natures gift is the beautiful flowers of summer.

But now it is time to move on.

Autumn presents us with a whole new beauty and time for celebration. Soon you will see the Fall decorations introducing the most beautiful season of all. The fall colours bring thousands of tourists annually to see the colourful landscape as the tree leaves change colour and float to the ground. The stillness of the lake reflecting the changing landscape is breath taking and I encourage you to take time out of your daily schedule to go and sit by the lake and take in this relaxing scenery.
On Sept. 29 we will again have our

Colourfest Festival in Head Lake

Park from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. This is a free family-friendly event with something for everyone. There will be live music with Gord Kidd and Friends; a vintage car display, scarecrow making contests and the much-loved pumpkin rolling contest sponsored by the Rotary Club. Please join in the fun and help us celebrate the autumn season.

So as time moves on, I would like to take this opportunity to gently remind you

to #buycloseby. What is this? The Chamber of Commerce has launched a marketing initiative to remind all of us of how important it is to support our local businesses by purchasing what we need right in our own community. When you purchase locally you are supporting a business owner and their employees. You are supporting businesses that sponsor your child's hockey team. You are supporting businesses that generously make donations to the many charities in our community that raise money to help us. You make a difference so please #buycloseby!

Happy autumn, everyone.

points of view

Key issues

NLIKE MANY PEOPLE my age, I pride myself in my ability to know where my car and house keys are at all times. They are on the same keychain. Where they are after that is anyone's guess. Have you seen them?

Not to be alarmist, but when you get to a certain age, finding your lost keys becomes a bit of a hobby as well as what you talk about when your buddy asks, "Anything exciting happen today?"

If this is a regular occurrence in your life, take comfort in knowing you're not alone.

If conversations with people in my peer group indicate anything, it is that the average person over 50 spends between 92 and 97 per cent of their time looking for either lost keys or glasses. Generally, they find the keys once they realize the glasses are atop

That's a lot of time and effort devoted to finding



steve galea keys that are either hanging from the door knob or your jacket pocket. Sometimes, as Jenn points out, the jacket is still being worn by the door knob.

A lot of younger people will joke around and tell you that you will find your keys in the last place you look. Very

In 25 years or so, they'll learn this is not always the case, however. I once found a set of keys in the third last

place I looked, but only because I got carried away. The thing to remember is that this is not an unnatural occurrence.

Man and woman have been losing keys ever since the first lock was created. You don't read about this in the history books though, because you didn't need keys to start a horse and there was not glass in the windows of most houses so lost keys didn't present much of an issue. Also, life expectancy was so short that, thankfully, most people never made it to prime key losing age. Which is good because their lives were difficult enough.

The good news is that most of us rarely lose a set of keys outside of the house, mostly because we lock them in the car. Losing keys in the house is wonderful, however, in that it provides the middle-aged person with a bit of a home court advantage. It also means that the odds are good that you'll find them in the fridge or in the first chair you sat in, especially if it is beside the fridge.

If I have one concern it is that finding keys seems to be getting a lot more complicated these days. Keys don't much look like keys any more. In fact, last week, I was looking for my car keys and only found them when I decided to turn off the TV. Luckily, the TV stayed on and my car horn started honking.

On the plus side, we almost always find our keys eventually – right after we change the locks.

The way I look at it is that you can either become frustrated by the fact that you lose your keys every five minutes or you can celebrate the fact that you find them every five minutes.

Or you can buy one of those old timey key chains that attach to your belt. Which is great, providing you remember where you left your belt.



pic of the past

his week's pic of the past shows the Wilberforce Post Office in 1949 when Frank Schofield was postmaster, a position he held for 20 years. This post office was built in 1932 and later on was moved next to Johnston's Store, across from Agnew's on the main street. /From the Echo archives

letters to the editor

Piano story brings back memories

To the Editor,

Re: "Pianos strike a chord throughout the county," Haliburton Echo, Sept. 4

Thank you for the article about pianos at the cottage! It proved nostalgic for me. My grandfather, Wilton Morse, had one at his cottage, which he built in the 1920s on Kashagawigamog. He

spent every summer there until he sold in 1944. A number of years ago I was speaking to a couple who have lived across the lake from his cottage for many years, and they remembered his piano music wafting across the lake at sunset! A stirring image to perpetuate his memory!

Wendy Morse Fraser

Respect the skate park

To the Editor,

The recently constructed Junction Skateboard Park has become a wonderful facility providing an excellent outdoor activity for kids and youth of the community. We live close by and were able to watch the skill and care that was put into its con-

We have been very sad to see that some people do not appreciate it. There are two garbage bins, and two recycling bins on location, however every morning the grounds around are littered with plastic bottles, empty cups, cardboard containers,

juice boxes, wrappers and various bits of garbage. The absence of washrooms is an oversight as users regularly use the surrounding bushes to relieve themselves in sight of their friends and

other spectators.

The skateboard park is a great addition to our town and we hear from visitors that they wish their town had such a park.

Let's be proud of it and keep it clean.

Marilyn and Jim Frost Haliburton

More letters to the Editor on page 8

ROONIEVILLE





Remembering Carol Dewey

Today an angel among us left our world to return to heaven, where, without suffering she will continue to help anyone who needs it and continue to love all.

Carol was a wonderful soul. She operated a teddy store called Teddy Time here in Haliburton for a very long time. I truly believe that the secret to her success was that she really did love every single teddy that came through her door. I will never forget the tiny stories she shared with me about helping little kids find the perfect teddy... and when it was necessary to give the teddy away.

She was a vocal advocate for our small and beautiful town. She was a social media queen who dedicated herself to helping spread the word about community events, fundraisers, and charities in our area as well as promoting local businesses constantly and passionately.

I never saw her without a hug. She

offered me so much advice in the early years of my salon, I don't know what I would have done without her. A few years ago during a personal health struggle she recommended a naturopathic doctor who changed my life for the better after so much frustration and upset.

I am so sorry to lose my friend, but I am devastated for her family and her close friends. Haliburton has lost a truly and purely good woman.

Tomorrow go out and do a small kindness. Carol was famous for her small kindnesses... a treat dropped in, a beautiful flower, a teddy when you needed one, kind words to congratulate you on a success. So, to honour her, will you join me in trying to be just a little bit kinder, a little bit nicer, and a little bit more like The Hundred Acre Woods.

By Christopher O'Mara



Light leaking through cracks in the clouds,

waking the Lake, polishing the faces of lily-pads that gleam amongst the reeds,

the seam of Sky unravelling as Sun spills into the hills,

warming the hollow spaces that I can't

from a spot on the dock, feeling morning unfurling all around me, as I linger one last time, spears of willow leaves littering the

dock, Sun singeing the fringe of a seagull's wing

as it flaps through blue Air, twinges of longing stirring within me, as I stare at the water-lily blooming in the Lake,

cupping its white petals up to the Sun. It's the only one, blossoming here, amongst the lily-pads, the rest of them sealed in their green

skins, as ribbons of light flow along the wave-

lets, through the reeds, along the limbs of the willow,

that's already shedding some of its leaves.

My fingers wade through the puddle of willow leaves drenching the dock, tinges of fall staining my flesh, as my hands explore the planks of wood, feeling Sun and Rain embedded in its grain,

lingering at the spot weathered by Wind, fingering the space between two planks that storms or time have eroded, wondering whether the dock will remember the warmth of my flesh, the grooves of my spine, the squirming of my toes,

when it's frozen in ice, buried by Snow. My eyes blink up at the bowl of Sky, stroke the flanks of hills, graze this green patch of Lake,

where lily-pads float and the spines of reeds sway,

where the limbs of willows protect me like arms,

this little corner of Lake, this piece of Home, that I carry within me, deep in my bones,

when a blizzard swirls beneath concrete Sky,

where the hills have been flattened by steel,

where I am sealed in a cement cocoon, all I long to feel is the warmth of northern Sun,

unfurling the petals of my frozen flesh, so I can once again bloom, fringed by the stillness of these hills, beneath this quiet Sky.

> Sylvie Kalenda September 2018

Have a thought, comment or opinion you'd like to share?

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Council backtracks with election looming

To the Editor,

How very interesting Highlands East council backtracking on the short-term rental bylaw. I wonder would the forthcoming election have anything to do with causing council to scurry for cover. They once again did it all undercover without any info going to ratepayers, just as they did when they closed the Gooderham post

This council cannot be trusted. If reelected rest assured they will carry out their original plan.

Vote wisely, people. Time for new blood on Highlands East council.

Chuck Viner Gooderham



Top dog

Danielle Friel Ottley took this photo over the Labour Day weekend of her Bug (Bulldog/ pug cross) dog, Finnegan, at Skyline Park. Ottley is Haliburton resident Donna Gagnon's



MINDEN SUBARU

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Board of health prepares for marijuana legalization With more than 50 per cent of area resiRidge District Health Unit, public health data from the Canadian Community nabis was the most prevalent

With more than 50 per cent of area residents reporting that they have used cannabis at some point in their lives, the local health unit is working to prepare for this fall's legalization of marijuana.

At the June 21 meeting of the board of health for the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine

nurse Cathy MacDonald provided board members with an overview of cannabis, the legislation, the public health implications, and the work HKPR is doing to address cannabis consumption.

Health Survey from 2013-2014, that show the self-reported use of cannabis for the health unit area is 50.1 per cent, which is higher than the Ontario rate of 40.1 per cent. According to the 2015 Canadian Tobacco, Alcohol and Drug survey, can-

nabis was the most prevalently used illicit drug, with 3.6 million people reporting use, an increase of one per cent compared to 2013. The survey showed that Canadians aged 18 to 25 have disproportionately higher rates of cannabis consumption than the rest of the population, and that 25 per cent of people reporting cannabis use during this time reported using it for medical purposes.

MacDonald provided an overview of the effects of cannabis and discussed the potential public health implications for the use of the drug, including unintended exposure to children, impact on respiratory health, negative mental health implications, and death through motor vehicle accidents, lung cancer, and substance use

Like other health units across the province, HKPR Health Unit has been working to prepare for the upcoming change in legislation that will make marijuana legal. MacDonald and her colleagues have been providing programs about substance use to students in the schools and working with school boards and municipalities to help better prepare community partners for the legislative change.

"With the legalization of marijuana this fall, public health units are working with local municipalities, police forces, and school boards to try and provide health education and recommendations on issues like the location of stores to ensure they are not easily accessible by youth," MacDonald said.

Submitted by HKPR Health Unit

Low-cost rabies vaccination clinics coming up

Local pet owners are reminded about upcoming low-cost rabies vaccination clinics being held in Haliburton County during the last week of September. The annual clinics are organized by local veterinarians in partnership with the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit.

"Many of us consider a dog or cat to be part of our family, so the low-cost rabies vaccination clinics provide an opportunity to give these pets the protection they deserve," says Bruce Barthorpe, a public health inspector with the HKPR District Health Unit. "Rabies is fatal, so getting pets vaccinated is an important part of caring for animals and being a responsible pet owner."

The low-cost rabies vaccination clinics cost only \$30 per animal (cash only). No examination of the animal will take place at the clinic, and participating veterinarians ask that dogs be on leashes and cats in carriers. The low-cost rabies vaccination clinics are set to take place as follows:

Thursday, Sept. 27

Cardiff:

Faraday Animal Clinic runs a clinic at Cardiff Community Centre (2747 Monck Rd.), 6-7 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 29

Haliburton:

Haliburton Veterinary Services runs a clinic at the Haliburton Fire Hall, 9 a.m. to noon.

Bridletown Warden Animal Hospital runs a clinic at the Pet Valu Store (231 Highland St.), 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

To learn more about rabies and the upcoming clinics for pets, call the health unit at 1-866-888-4577, ext. 5006, or visit www. hkpr.on.ca.



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Becoming plastic-free takes long-term effort

JENN WATT

Editor

Reducing plastic use in the community needs a multi-pronged approach and it needs to start at the grassroots, organizers from Blue Bayfield told an audience in Haliburton last week.

A blend of public education, business buy-in, political pressure and hands-on action needs to happen in order to make change, particularly with something as convenient, inexpensive and ubiquitous

Ray and Paula Letheren of Blue Bayfield were invited by Environment Haliburton! to speak at the Enviro-Cafe at the Haliburton United Church on Sept. 11 about the work of their group and the lessons they've learned over the years.

Bayfield is a village in southwestern Ontario on the shore of Lake Huron. It has a population of about 1,000 and, much like Haliburton, it is a tourist destination that attracts visitors largely due to its proximity to the water.

Problem is, the Great Lakes are becoming increasingly polluted not only with plastic, but also by pesticides and harmful bacteria from human activities, said Ray

Over the years, improvements have been made to water quality through upgrades to sewage treatment plants along the lake, changes to legislation regarding pesticides, and better filtration of runoff through a tree planting cam-

paign.
"The tree can absorb 400 litres of water a day. If you don't have any trees, that water has to go somewhere else and where it's going is into the river and ultimately, ... it all ends up in the lake," Leth-

What also ends up in the lake in astonishing amounts is plastic. The Great Lakes have 430,000 pieces of plastic per square kilometre; the oceans have 220,000.

Some of that waste is actually microplastic, which includes fibres from clothing, tiny bits of plastic bottles and microbeads found in some body wash.

Letheren said initially his group had hoped to get the municipal government to endorse the Blue Communities project of the Council of Canadians, which asks councils to recognize water and sanitation as human rights; phase out the sale of bottled water at municipal facilities and events; and promote publicly owned and operated water and wastewater systems.

However, despite best efforts, the council, which represents a region much wider than the town of Bayfield was unwilling to endorse those principles.

Eventually, out of options, the group decided to start with the people – rather than the government – of Bayfield.

"Normally it's the mayor and council that says we're going to get rid of plastic bottles in our municipality. What we said is, we're going to tell the Council of Canadians that this community wants to get rid of [plastic bottles]," Letheren said.

They gathered support from community groups and organizations including the Guides, Brownies and Pathfinders, the local churches, book groups, the women's shelter and chamber of commerce. Of 40 identified organizations, they received 39 endorsements.

"We are very proud of the fact that we're the only community in the world that took the initiative to get our community engaged and going this way [to become a Blue Community] rather than wait for our mayor and council," Letheren said.

But just endorsing the Blue Community moniker isn't enough. People need to be convinced and measures put in place to



Paula and Ray Letheren came from Bayfield to speak to Environment Haliburton about the success of their Blue Bayfield program, which aims to eliminate single-use plastics in their town. /JENN WATT Staff

make it happen.

Blue Bayfield moved forward with fundraising, bringing in enough money to install five water refill stations around the village. No matter where you are in town, you're never far from free, public water.

The group also distributed 2,000 reusable water bottles to give out to members of the public.

Blue Bayfield has also worked to have its village designated a Plastic-Free Coastline Community by Surfers Against Sewage, a U.K.-based group dedicated to cleaning up shorelines. Bayfield is the only North American site with such a designation.

In order to do this, the community had to meet three obligations: get a resolution from the municipality that it supports the concept; engage local business to remove plastic items; and clean up the village twice a year.

Letheren said even though council had previously chosen not to join the Blue Communities Project, it did elect to endorse participation in the plastic-free coastlines program.

Businesses were keen to sign up, agreeing to remove three plastic items, which could be straws, take-away polystyrene containers or plastic cutlery, for example. Blue Bayfield started the campaign in May and 11 of the village's 13 restaurants have agreed.

To help with the project, they distributed glass bottles to be used for water at the restaurants, with a label that reads 'Perfectly Drinkable Tap Water.'

Paula Letheren told the audience that the campaign to remove plastics hasn't always made people happy. She said there have been people who were unhappy that plastic water bottles are no longer for sale in the village's downtown

She said when shopping at a nearby town, she asked for no plastic bags. The store clerk said Paula must be from Bay-

The group continues to organize, educate and clean up the community. They are creating cling-on window signage for businesses to declare their plastic-free status, have done fundraising alongside other social justice groups in town and have made up bamboo T-shirts (made in Canada) to spread the word.

Ray Letheren said there have also been many speaking engagements.

On Oct. 27, the village of Bayfield is hosting a special event: Solutions to Promote Zero Plastic Waste.

One of Blue Bayfield's main messages was that in order to make change, it's best to start with the people themselves.

There's always resistance at the top," Ray Letheren said. "There's never resistance at the bottom."

The topic of reducing plastic has come up regularly at Dysart et al's environment

committee meetings.
The next Enviro-Cafe is Tuesday, Oct. 9 at 7:30 p.m. at the Minden United Church. The speaker will be Trent University professor Stephen Hill, who will discuss the politics of climate change.

In November, the group will be partnering with Abbey Gardens to host a dramatic presentation of Alanna Mitchell's book, Sea Sick.

ALL CANDIDATES MEETINGS

Come out to meet candidates in the upcoming municipal election, hear what they have to say and ask your questions.

Highlands East: Thursday, Sept. 20 at 7 p.m., Lloyd Watson Centre, Wilberforce

Minden Hills: Thursday, Sept. 27 at 7 p.m., Minden Hills Community Centre

Dysart et al: Thursday, Oct. 4 at 7 p.m., Fleming College, Haliburton

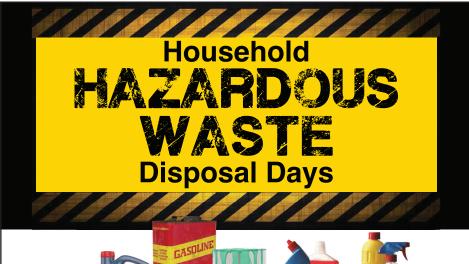
Mayors and Deputy Mayors (countywide): Thursday, Oct. 11 at 7 p.m., Fleming College, Haliburton

Meetings organized by the county's newspapers and radio stations.



Walking to cure Parkinson's

The Parkinson Superwalk, the largest nationwide fundraising event for Parkinson Canada, brought a crowd to Head Lake Park on Sunday, Sept. 16 in Haliburton. Gerald and Gloria Taylor of Haliburton were joined by longtime friends June and John Beadle, and Cooper the dog, to show support for Gerald, who was diagnosed with Parkinson's Disease four years ago. /SUE TIFFIN Staff





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Supporters of Glenn Hodgkinson of Minden, left, who was diagnosed with Parkinson's a year and a half ago, travelled to Haliburton to support Glenn and raise awareness of the disease. Twenty-five people in Canada are diagnosed with Parkinson's Disease each day



Delores and Carmen Lee were at the Haliburton bandshell on Sept. 16 to raise awareness for Parkinson's Disease, which Delores has had for 25 years. Delores raised more than \$1,300 this year to go toward research and cure for the disease.



Marking Legion Week

The Royal Canadian Legion Haliburton branch 129 invited the public for the official flag raising to kick off Legion Week this past Monday.

As the flag was raised, the group which included acting sergeant at arms Callum Wood, Dysart Councillor Nancy Wood-Roberts, Legion member Joe Rogers and its padre Bev Hicks, Dysart Mayor Murray Fearrey, Legion's Poppy Campaign chairperson Bruce Martin, vicepresident Anthony Croft (raising the flag), president Paul Sisson, first vice-president Chester Howse, Haliburton Legion Ladies Auxiliary president Corinne Bailey, members Ann McIvor and Anne Rogers (obstructed) and supporter and son of A.J. LaRue, Scotty LaRue stood and sang the national anthem on Monday, Sept. 17 at the A.J. LaRue Arena in Haliburton. /DARREN LUM Staff

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Fuel for Warmth preparing for another winter

After a hot summer and more warm weather to come it may seem a little early to be thinking about winter. But that's exactly what Fuel for Warmth is doing.

Since the winter of 2008/2009 when Joanne Barnes originated this service, the first of its kind in the Highlands, Fuel for Warmth has led the way in helping those in need of fuel during our bitter winter months.

The service offers help throughout Haliburton County thanks to the volunteers and non-paid staff who manage this program. Ninety-five per cent of all monies raised goes directly to those in need, providing access to fuel oil, propane, wood and wood pellets. Administration costs are always kept to a minimum. In an age when donors are concerned about their donations getting to those in need, Fuel for Warmth can point with pride to their record of service and fiscal management. Fuel for Warmth does not receive any government funding.

Fuel for Warmth is a registered charity and, as such, abides by the reporting requirements of the CRA. Their treasurer, Lorne McNeil, is a chartered professional accountant, and he performs the annual audits of all expenditures, ensuring full CRA compliance. Community advisors include Scotty Morrison, Mike Jaycock and

The organization uses the rigorous application and qualification process used by the Minden Food Bank. All payments for fuel are made directly to fuel suppliers on behalf of the clients. This ensures that only those in need are approved for help.

This year Fuel for Warmth is planning to purchase a dump trailer. This will make the delivery of wood more efficient for clients requesting that fuel source. Thanks to a generous donation they are finally able to make this

For almost 10 years, Fuel for Warmth has been at the forefront in providing clients short-term, emergency relief from heating fuel shortages. Joanne Barnes says, "no one should have to choose between fuel and food."

Nov. 24, the Highlands Christmas Shindig, a familyoriented Christmas variety show at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion will once again raise money for this important cause. Thanks to the generous support of sponsors and attendees Fuel for Warmth is meeting the ongoing need of financially strapped families, children and seniors here in the Haliburton Highlands.

Jennie, a single mom, with two school-age children, says, "without the help of Fuel for Warmth my children and I would have been in real trouble last winter. Their

help was a godsend.'

For more information contact Joanne Barnes at 705-286-6838 or after hours for an emergency 705-854-9208.



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Lawrence Lougheed was the winner of the Sunbelt Cadillac Escalade cart. which he got to drive around all day during the Haliburton County Home Builders Association tournament. He also won a wheelbarrow full of prizes. Money raised went to the HCHBA as well as the 4Cs food bank.





It was a lovely day for golf on Friday during the annual Home Builders tournament at Pinestone Resort. The forecast had been calling for rain, but it managed to hold off until dinnertime.



Tournament raises funds for food bank

Participants in the Haliburton County Home Builders Association's annual golf tournament get into the swing of things at Pinestone on Friday, Sept. 14. \$2,600 was raised for food banks. /JENN WATT Staff



Gabrielle Holmes putts as her fellow team members, The Canoeists, cheer

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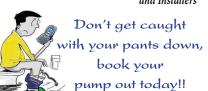
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Highlands East clean and clear bylaw being revised

from page 1

The following are brief reports of items discussed at the Sept. 5 meeting of Highlands East council.

Staff is working on a revision to the clean and clear bylaw, which specifies minimum standards for property upkeep.

Wayne Galloway, bylaw enforcement officer, said the current bylaw includes restrictions that would likely put every local property owner in violation of the rules – including "five different and distinct definitions of what waste material

Calling the bylaw "a total mess," he pointed out some of the stranger provisions, including a restriction on live bird

"A live bird does not have a carcass,"

Council had questions around what constitutes refuse and what should count as unsightly. For example, the height of grass or piles of soil, which could be from work done as a gardener.

Galloway said he needed more direction on what counts as a natural lawn.

"I might call them weeds, but a gardener may say no, they're some exquisite plant," he said.

Deputy Mayor Suzanne Partridge said many people choose to leave parts of their properties in a natural state out of concern for the environment, particularly along

The grass along my shoreline is probably two feet tall and there isn't a county bylaw to cover that currently," she said. She wanted to ensure the Highlands East bylaw did not restrict the environmentally sound practice.

Council asked Galloway to bring forward a revised bylaw to council at an upcoming meeting for consideration.

Council cancels cat bylaw

Council voted to rescind the cat bylaw, which had been on the books since 2007.

The bylaw had specified that stray cats be taken to the municipal dog pound, however, in 2009 the dog pound board decided they would no longer keep cats.

Wayne Galloway said he became the bylaw officer in 2012 and since that time the bylaw has not been enforced because it asks staff to take cats to a location that doesn't accept them.

"It has been the practice since becoming the bylaw enforcement officer that anyone complaining about cats running at large would be offered the loan of a live trap with the understanding that they would be responsible for any animals caught in the trap," a report from Galloway reads.

Research was done into where else cats could be taken, but Galloway said he hadn't found any shelters with space or that weren't overly costly.

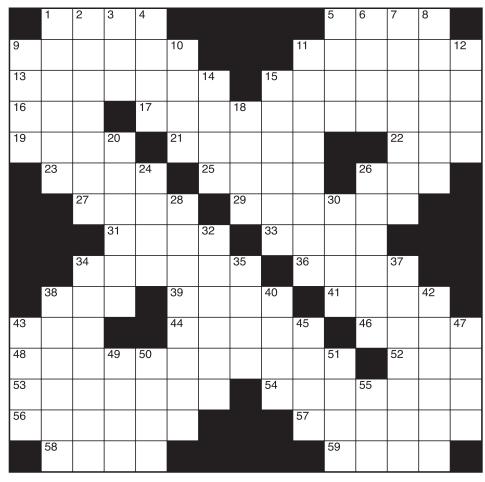
Councillor Cec Ryall, who is a member of the dog pound board, said he would ask the board whether they would reconsider the 2009 decision not to take cats, but he thought it was unlikely they would

Council passed a resolution to rescind the cat bylaw until an alternate site can be

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CLUES ACROSS

- 1. A greeting
- 5. A type of hall
- 9. Planes need one 11. Wealth
- 13. The act of exciting
- 15. A movement downward
- 16. Type of storage
- 17. A funny and sad play
- 19. After cinco
- 21. Dry white Italian wine
- 22. Where golfers begin
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- 25. Relaxing places
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- 27. Discontinued compact bone or tooth
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- 33. Offer for a price
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- 36. Free-swimming invertebrate
 - 38. A type of tale 39. The middle of the

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- 41. Christmas
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- 46. Ethnic group of Thai-
- 48. "Grown Ups" funnyman
 - 52. A type of index 53. A mass of rocks
- 54. Splashed
- 56. Kids' playground necessities
- 57. Sears and London are two
 - 58. Strip of cloth
 - 59. Church

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Progressive decay of a ist
- 2. Deliberately contrary
- 3. Unit of mass
- 4. Kiln
- 5. Soybean paste
- 6. Electronic counter-countermeasures
- 7. Made the bed
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- 9. Bar bills
- 10. Automotive vehicles
- 11. Breaks
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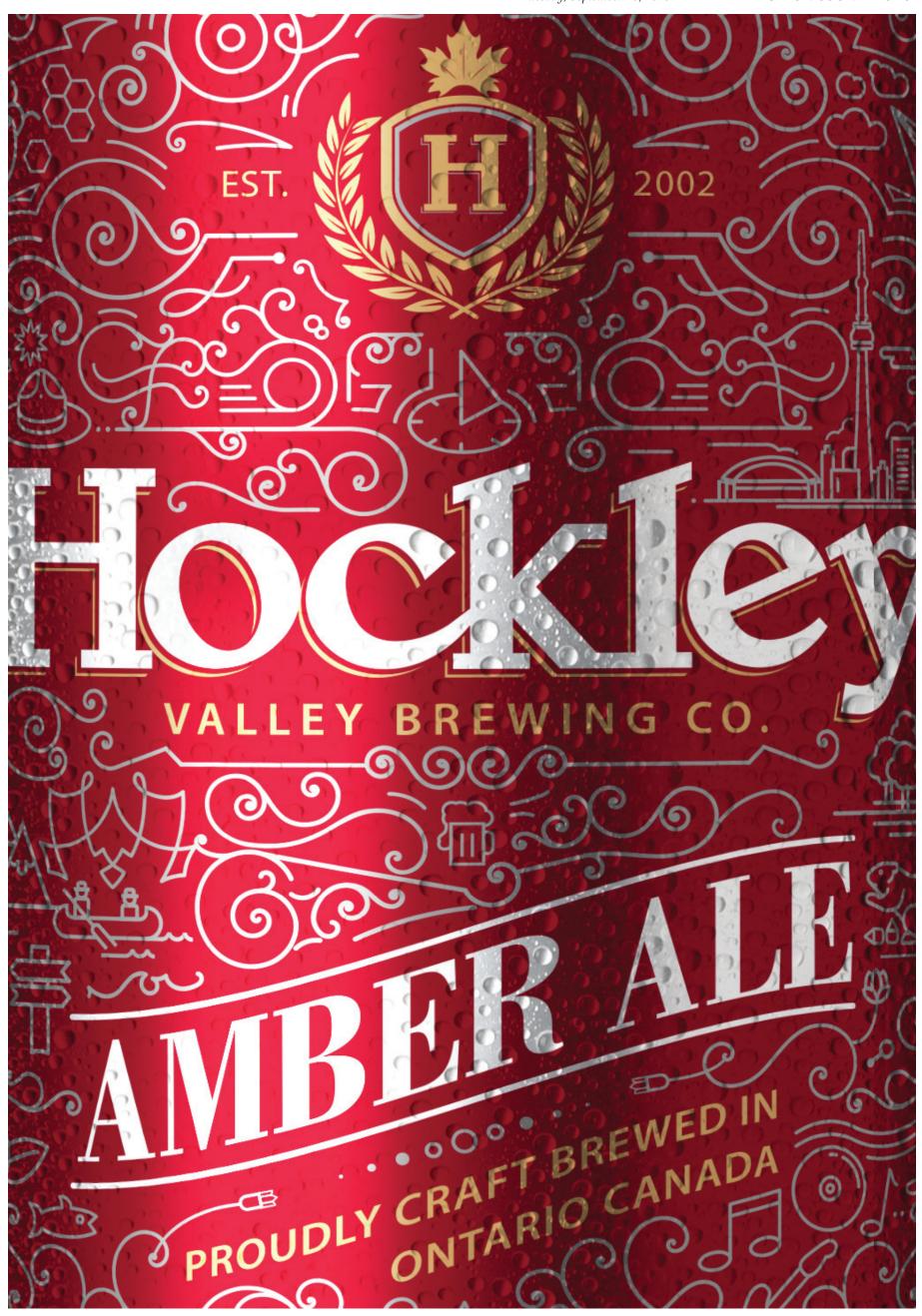
- 14. Asian country
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 - 20. Member of U.S. Navy
 - 24. A sulk
 - 26. Greetings
 - 28. Craftsmen
 - 30. Mongolian city __ Bator
 - 32. Did again
 - 34. Sunrooms
 - 35. Start over
 - 37. Georgians love them
 - 38. Women
- 40. "Snake Tales" cartoon-
- 42 Pariahs
- 45. Gradually become less
 - 47. Goats
 - 49. French city Le __
 - 50. Exhale
- 51. Homes have at least
- 55. Type of power cable

Answers on page 18

Wildlift in your backyard



Tammy Nash took this photo of a black bear cub in Algonquin Highlands. She said she liked the photo because it looks like the bear is smiling.



UPCOMING Community **Events**

Want to get your event in Community Calendar? It's free! Contact Pat at classifieds@haliburtonpress.com

Haliburton Highlands Genealogy Group

When: Wed. Sept. 19. Doors open 6 p.m.; speaker 7 p.m. Where: Lions Hall, 166 Bobcaygeon Rd., Minden What: Guy Scott presents one-room schoolhouses of Haliburton County

Cost: No charge, everyone welcome For more info contact Gail 705-286-2225

A Better Man

When: Wednesday, Sept. 19, 6 to 9 p.m. Where: Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion A documentary film A Better Man. This documentary describes the impact of violence on the victims and those who care about them.

As part of a two-day Take Back The Night initiative to raise awareness about the issue of sexual violence against women, the Canadian Federation of University Women -Haliburton Highlands in conjunction with Fleming College, Kawartha Sexual Assault Centre, YWCA - Peterborough and Haliburton and Visible Voices Open Art Studio are presenting this film. This will be in lieu of the first CFUW-HH meeting. Watch the documentary film, Visit the information booths, Participate afterward in the panel discussion. Everyone welcome

Cost: Free of charge, (New CFUW members welcome. Membership is \$85 and open to women of all education levels.) For more information: www.cfuwhh.ca

Take Back the Night March

When: Thursday, Sept. 20, 5 p.m. (music, stories, sign making); 7 p.m. march

Where: Head Lake Park Bandshell

First, listen to music, stories in poetry and create your own sign. March at 7 p.m. in solidarity through the park and through town. Everyone welcome To raise awareness of violence against women, Canadian Federation of University Women - Haliburton Highlands, Fleming College, Kawartha Sexual Assault Centre, YWCA -Peterborough and Haliburton and Visible Voices Open Art Studio are joining forces in this march through Haliburton. This will be in lieu of the first CFUW-HH meeting. Cost: Free of charge

Discover the Dahl

When: Saturday, Sept. 22

Where: Dahl Forest, 1307 Geeza Rd

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Todd Nolan in the Clubroom

When: Saturday, Sept. 22, 2018, 4 to 7 p.m Where: Haliburton Legion, Clubroom Cost: \$5.00 cover charge for non-members 50/50 draw at 6:00 p.m. Enjoy meal for \$6.00 by the Ladies Auxiliary, www.haliburtonlegion.com

Art Opening

Contemporary Landscapes by Gary Evans When: Saturday Sept. 22 from 2 to 4 p.m. Where: Rails End Gallery, Haliburton

Meet the Artist. Exhibition runs until November 10, 2018

Haliburton: Sexual Health Clinic

When:, Wednesday, Sept. 26, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The clinic provides clients with confidential access to cervical screening, low-cost birth control, pregnancy testing and sexual health teaching. Testing and treatment of sexually transmitted infections are also provided. For more information, locations or to make an appointment, call the Health Unit at 1-866-888-4577, ext. 2205.

Lunch and Learn

When: Wednesday, Sept. 26, 12 p.m. Lunch 1 p.m. presentation Where: Zion United Church, Carnarvon Friends of the Haliburton County Public Library present

Jessie Pflug and the story of Stouffer Mill Bed and

Breakfast. Cost: \$20

For tickets call Sue Sisson at 705-286-2000

Heritage Day brings family together

community news wilberforce

Heritage Day brought people together to celebrate the history of the Highland Grove area last Saturday. They enjoyed heritage displays, live music and flea market and bake sale tables. The burgers and hot dogs from the outdoors grill and free coffee were great.

Best of all for me was meeting for the first time a cousin from the Highland Grove line of the Hugheys: my

I never knew my maternal grandfather William Hughey or his twin brother Isaac. From their childhood home in Cheddar, Bill settled in Wilberforce and Isaac in Highland Grove. Though many in these two parts of the family still kept in touch as the years passed people moved away and many died. So meeting Isaac's great grand daughter Lisa Reynolds and her husband Robert was great. They were up from Keene to enjoy the day. Thanks to Joanne Burroughs for getting us together. Lisa and I shared many family stories during the afternoon.

How delightful to meet this much younger cousin and one very interested in family history. With emails and telephone numbers shared we certainly will turn this "Heritage Moment" into a renewed family connection.

Vet to Vet is a program that brings war veterans together for a special time together. A Vet to Vet gathering in Wilberforce was held this past weekend with veterans welcomed from places such as Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Ottawa, Quebec and various parts of Ontario. From Friday night's meet and greet and a bonfire to Saturday evening's dinner and program at the Lloyd Watson Memorial Centre everyone had a good time.

The program has support from the Legion Poppy fund. Organizers were thankful for all the local support of this program which brings veterans together.

Thanks to Barb Schofield for sharing information about the history of cookbooks at the Recipe Rambles program at the Outpost Museum last Friday afternoon. She led participants through the Cook Display she had created there this summer. Many cook books were produced by groups raising funds for their programs. One set from the World War II period gave hints about coping with food rationing. Guests shared food memories especially from childhood. Visits can be arranged by calling 705-448-3000.

This display will likely be of interest to participants in the Hike Haliburton hike Way Back In Wilberforce which starts there Friday, Sept. 21 at 2 p.m.



Lions give to Abbey Retreat Centre

The Haliburton and District Lions Club held their business meeting at the Abbey Retreat Centre (ARC), a centre of excellence in whole person care and integrative cancer programs, on Monday, Sept. 10. After touring the facility and enjoying light refreshments provided by Abbey Gardens, Lion president Kathryn Kidd, Lion David Mills, Betty Mills and Sheldon Nicholls presented ARC's director, Thea Patterson and executive director, Donna McCallum with a donation of \$500. For complete details of ARC and their programs, please visit their website at abbeyretreatcentre.ca. /Submitted





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The 4 C's Food bank and the Minden Community Food Centre would like to thank all the seasonal residents, the cottage associations, and the camps for all your great donations. Every can and dollar helps us feed people in need in our communities and your contributions are a great help. Please continue to support Fill the Cruiser and the Moose FM Radiothon at Christmas time for our Christmas Baskets. We will be having a food drive in April which is our greatest need of the year after Christmas. We could not do the work we do without everyone in our communities. **Helping Hands**





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Born, January 26, 1927 and passed away peacefully on September 11, 2018 with family at her side.

Predeceased by her loving husband Sam Chmilar, parents Frances and William Exon and best friend Marion Exon. She will make the journey to rest with them in her beloved Halibutron. She is survived by her brothers Al Exon and Keith (Marilyn) Exon. Her devoted daughter and main caregiver Joy (John) Wilcox is deeply saddened to say goodbye. Their journey together has been the epitome of mother-daughter love. Granddaughters Kendra and Jenna Wilcox miss Nan terribly and especially visiting her with dogs and doing her nails. Her son Kent (Penny) Chmilar and grandchildren A.J. and Kelly Chmilar also miss the sweetness of her presence. She will be forever cherished by her niece Ruth Legate Exon (George) and children Christa and Phillip Legate.

Glad lived first for family and friends all glued together with large doses of laughter. In her presence you knew who you were and that is where you needed to be. May she rest in eternal peace.

Family and friends are invited to visit at the McKERSIE-KOCHER FUNERAL HOME 114 Main St. E. Milton 905-878-4452 on Thursday, September 13, 2018 from 5 pm to 8 pm. A family graveside memorial will be held at Evergreen Cemetery Haliburton on Friday, September 14, 2018 at 1 pm. As an expression of sympathy, memorial donations to the Canadian Cancer Society or the Heart and Stroke Foundation would be appreciated.

Letters of condolence, shared stories and memorial donations may be left for the family online at www.mckersie-kocher.ca



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In Loving Memory of

Joan C. "Carol" DeweyPassed away peacefully at Peterborough Regional Health Center on the morning of September 11, 2018.

Many in the Haliburton County region will remember her as the "Teddy Bear Lady", but many more here and around the world (two and four-legged) will remember her for her friendship, kindness,

generosity and grace. In Haliburton, she will be remembered as a positive force for the whole community. As an unofficial ambassador for the Haliburton region, she was always out and about helping to promote local events, whilst always finding time to help those who needed assistance.

Born on September 23, 1942 in Montreal to Walter Morgan and Margaret Isabella (MacKellar) Thomas, Carol married William Robert Dewey June 9, 1962 and is predeceased by her mom and dad, and her sister Lois Patricia (Floyd). She is survived by her husband William Robert Dewey, her three sons David Robert, Steven Bruce, Sean Paul, by her sisters Beverly Lorraine and Karen Elizabeth and by her many her nieces, nephews and grandchildren.

A Private Family Memorial Service was held at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., 127 Bobcaygeon Rd., P.O. Box 427, Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0 on Tuesday, September 18, 2018. Private Family Interment at the Bethel Cemetery. Cremation has taken place.

Friends were invited to join the family at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., for a Memorial Gathering and Reception to celebrate Carol's

Life on Tuesday, September 18, 2018 beginning at 1:00 pm. Memorial Donations to Point In Time c/o "Food for

Kids" would be appreciated by the family.



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Quiet optimism pervades Rare Earth effort

Development permit the last hurdle in the way of further testing

Below our feet, a concrete slab reflects sunlight. Rusting iron bolts jut from weathered beams surrounding the massive plate. Barbed wire hangs limp around the perimeter of the silent raise, and the scene bears a resemblance to a gravemarking, a monument to something once vital, now long dead.

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The cement slab was, of sorts, a gravestone. It marked, or covered, a squared-off hole that descends 50 feet into the earth. At one time, this raise was part of the once busy Halo mine site, a place where until 1956, men hauled thousands of tons of raw stone from a black hole in the earth. They sought uranium.

Late in 1956 the market for uranium died, When experimental nuclear reactors for which the ore was needed reduced their demand, the mine closed. Concrete slabs were placed over the raises, and the mine entrances were sealed to the outside world for an indefinite period of time.

If George Jeffs and the planners behind Rare Earth Resources have their way, however, the concrete slabs will be removed, and the shafts will once again see the light of day.

Jeffs, field supervisor for the company, is helping Rare Earth determine the viability of reopening the ghost mine not only at the Halo site, but also at the Rare Earth properties in Monmouth Township and the Catchacoma Lake site in Cavendish. The company sofar has gone to a great deal of expense to investigate the possibility of

extracting uranium from existing sites, a project they hope will see small to medium scale uranium production come alive again.

At the Halo property, where the wind makes the only audible sounds, the key word is not resurrection, but uncertainty. Jeffs, who calls himself a prospector, is optimistic about the sites. Looking at the massive ore piles surrounding the raise, he mentions in passing, how interest in these properties. Was suddenly renewed, what the company has done, and most importantly, what it plans to do. But he is careful to stress that, though work in the office and in the field is ambitious, there is an ever-present degree of the unknown.

Much of the Rare Earth interest is dependant upon old information, mining statistics and reports dating back almost 25 years. There are a lot of blank spots in those records. Information essential to reduce the risk of starting the project blindly is lacking.

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"We're hoping to fill in those blank spots," said Jeffs, "by overlapping the old work with some new investigation we hope to do." That work can only be accomplished if the federal government grants a development permit, the first major hurdle to Rare Earth's hopes for success.

The company is presently directing efforts towards obtaining the permit. Company eyes, including Jeffs', are now rivetted on the government for permission to begin further tests, hopefully within the next two months. The permit will allow Rare Earth Resources to remove covers Cont'd page 8

Consultant Harvey Brown and George Jetts examine ore pile

THE HALIBURTON COUNTY ECHO

AND MINDEN RECORDER

Abandon adit at Rare Earth site 2

Wednesday, October 3, 1979

" The voice of the Highlands "

Machinery will remain idle indefinitely

Minden road men are back on the job

Road workers in Anson, Hindon and Minden were back on the job Monday morning following a week long layoff.

The layoff went into effect September 26. At that time the maintenance portion of the municipality's road bud-get was some \$40,000 over-spent.

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Since that date, council has met with representatives of the Ministry of "ransportation and Communications the shortfall, which council claims is the result of inadequate maintenance subsides from the Ministry. So farthere has been no firm indication whether or not the Ministry will provide an additional maintenance allotment to meet the municipality's requirements through the end of the year.

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But this week council agreed to put the 10-man crew back to work pending further communication with Ministry officials. The crew will undertake only hand labour such as sewer and ditch clean



Colours were at their peak throughout the Highlands last weekend as cool nights and shortened days



There's nothing quite like a puppet show to tickle the funny-bone of youngsters, as these laughing faces prove. The merriment took place at the Dysart Library Saturday afternoon as the Deckhands Puppet Theatre

OMB reserves zoning by-law decision

The Ontario Municipal Board has reserved a decision on Ministry of Housing objections to a Stanhope Township zoning by-law. At a hearing last Monday, the board considered eight objections to the by-law, numbered 78-23, which amends the township's coning by-law 77-15. Only one of the eight objection of the light objections to a stanhope Township zoning by-law 77-15. Only one of the eight objection of the light objection by the same and the township's comprehensive zoning by-law 77-15. Only one of the eight objection by the same and the township's comprehensive zoning by-law 77-15. Only one of the eight objection by the same and the same rights to individuals who might want of the same rights to appear at the by-law. Scouting movement is hampered Dolly one of the eight objectors to appear at the hearing was the Ministry of Housing which presented arguments against a section of the by-law that would allow the construction of single family residences fronting on private roads. The previous by-law 77-15, allowed the construction of permanent residential dwellings in shoreline areas ser-sellings in shoreline areas ser-stellings in shore a

Monmouth by-law

Monmouth Township's restricted area by-law 78-6 and amendments came under objectors who presented their cases before an Ontario Municipal Board hearing.

A total of 17 objections to the by-law had been filed before the hearing, all of Gont'd, page 2

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Gommittee has been formed towork out details of a leave plan won by secondary school teachers in contract negotiations with the Halburton Coastly Board of Education in June.

The plan allows teachers to receive three quarters or four fifths of their regular staging would be helpful, the Group Committee says, sepecially at the Seour level.

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Results of summer survey released this week

Doubling of gas prices won't stop cottagers

would have no effect on the amount of time they spent at their cottages. Yet half of those surveyed said they would consider an alternate form of transportation to and from their cottages if one were available.

The findings are two among a total of 34 included in the survey completed in August by two students working under the direction of the Chamber of Commerce.

Cottager objections force OMB hearing

of the Chamber of Commerce.

While the results were gathered from too small a sample to be considered valid statistical indicators, they document responses which are expected to be of interest to business associations in both Haliburton and Minden. A total of 174 people were reached in the survey, 28 of whom were premanent residents and the other 146 of whom were cottagers.

Results of the survey were released this week by the Chamber of Commerce.

Of those surveyed, 59 percent said they would not like to live in the county year round. Main reasons cited were a lack of business and job opportunities here, harshness of the winters, a lack of entertainment facilities and an attachment to city life.

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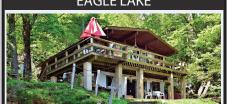
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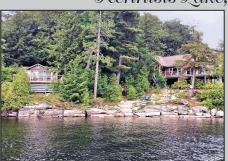


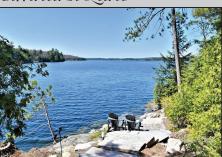


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